

# VolunteerBloomington!

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**: "Another world is not only possible, she is on her way. On a quiet day, I can hear her breathing." ~ Arundhati Roy

April 1, 2015

## **Food Drive Preparation**

Hoosier Hills Food Bank volunteers will be stapling printed postcards to grocery bags in preparation for the National Association of Letter Carriers "Stamp Out Hunger" Food Drive in May. They plan to send out roughly 50,000 grocery bags, so that calls for a lot of stapling! Minimum age is 15; 10 if with an adult. If you or your group can help, please contact Ryan Jochim at (812) 334-8374 or volunteer@hhfoodbank.org (www.hhfoodbank.org)

## **Griffy Lake Cleanup - April 23**

Paddle around Griffy Lake and clean up one of our most precious local resources during Earth Week! This will give you a wonderful chance to celebrate the Earth and its amazing natural resources as you pick up litter and leave the lake clean and sparkling. The cleanup will be from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on April 23. Boats, trash bags and gloves will be provided. This is a great group and family event as it is open to all ages. Children under age 14 must be accompanied by an adult. To register, go to:

http://bit.ly/EarthWeekLakeCleanup or contact Kim Ecenbarger, Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department, at (812) 349-3739 or ecenbark@bloomington.in.gov. (www.bloomington.in.gov/parks)

## **Bloomington Writing Project**

The Bloomington Writing Project is seeking volunteers to teach basic grammar and writing skills to adults. Volunteers conduct classes from 6-8 p.m. on Thursday evenings at the Monroe County Public Library. This program is a partnership between the Volunteers In Tutoring Adult Learners (VITAL) program and the Bloomington Writing Project. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Molly Gleeson at (812) 349-3050 or voldemort71@hotmail.com. (www.bloomingtonwritingproject.org; www.mcpl.info)

# **Community Wish List Spotlight**

## **The Salvation Army**

Offers many services including a church, community center, social services and a thrift store to make life better for Monroe County households, spiritually, economically and emotionally. To grant a wish, contact Monica Clemons at monica\_clemons@usc.salvationarmy.org or (812) 336-4310. (111 N. Rogers St.; www.bloomingtonsa.org)

Wishes: children's clothing, men's clothing, socks, non-perishable food, gift cards for gas and phone, commercial stove, box fans, shopping bags, forklift, box truck, personal hygiene products, disaster care kits, soap, sleeping bags, tents, new toys

Use the Community Wish List to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.

#### **Usher at the Buskirk-Chumley Theater this Spring!**

Lend a hand to the Buskirk-Chumley Theater team by ushering! See performances for free, help with concessions and just generally be awesome. Upcoming opportunities include the Limestone Comedy Fest, Shelby Lynne, the IU Soul Revue and much more! All you need is a white shirt, black pants and a great attitude. Ushering requires about a four hour commitment, usually during evenings and weekends. Volunteer ushers must be friendly and able to work with a wide variety of community members. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Regine Richter McClain at (812) 323-3020 or volunteer@buskirkchumley.org. (www.buskirkchumley.org)

#### **Wylie House Docent**

The Wylie House Museum welcomes applicants for docent volunteers, also known as tour guides. If you have an interest in local history, you can learn about life in the 19th century and gain museum experience in the process. You will be taught to give historically accurate tours of the Wylie House Museum, home of Indiana University's first president, Andrew Wylie. Tours are offered from 10 a.m.- 2 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays between March 1 and Nov. 30. Docents are asked to give a minimum of two 2-hour shifts per month on weekdays. Volunteers must have the ability to climb steps, as there is no elevator in this 1830s home. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Carey Beam at (812) 855-6224 or libwylie@indiana.edu. (www.indiana.edu/~libwylie)

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

